

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

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August 16, 2005

Linda Lapp 47689 SD Hwy. 20 Milbank, SD 57252

Dear Ms. Lapp:

It has come to the attention of the South Dakota Board of Nursing and the South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners that you have unlawfully practiced as a midwife in the state of South Dakota. In order to practice as a midwife in the state of South Dakota, you must be licensed in accordance with <u>SDCL 36-9A</u>. Unlawful practice in this State is prohibited and constitutes grounds for criminal prosecution.

This letter serves as a notice to you to cease and desist from any further violation of <u>SDCL 36-9A</u> in the state of South Dakota; unless you become licensed by the State to perform such functions. If the Boards discover that, without a proper license, you have practiced or offered to practice as a midwife, or indicated that you are licensed as a midwife in this State, formal action will be pursued to enforce the Boards' legal remedies.

The Boards appreciate your cooperation in this matter. Please contact the Board of Nursing or the Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Gloria Damgaard, RN;MS Executive Secretary

cc Margaret Hansen, Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners Kris O'Connell, Legal Counsel, Board of Nursing